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FIRST NAMED INVENTOR: Nicklin *et al.*

FOR: THE IL-1 GENE CLUSTER AND ASSOCIATED INFLAMMATORY
POLYMORPHISMS AND HAPLOTYPES

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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**REQUEST FOR FILING A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

1. This is a request for filing a continuation patent application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b). This application is a continuation of USSN 10/351,702, filed January 27, 2003, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/351,951, filed January 25, 2002.
2. This application is a total of 97 pages. This application includes:
 - 53 pages of specification (not including claims, abstract, or figures)
 - 6 pages of claims
 - 1 page of abstract
 - 37 pages of figures (Figures 1-19)
3. A Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney from USSN 10/351,702 (executed by Nicklin, Duff, and Kornman) (2 counterparts, 4 pgs. each).
4. Fees associated with this application have been calculated as follows:



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CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) \$770.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	50	- 20 =	30	\$18.00	\$ 540.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	6	- 3 =	3	\$86.00	\$ 258.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	11			\$290.00	\$ 290.00
				SUBTOTAL:	\$1,858.00
		Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:			\$
				TOTAL FEE:	\$1,858.00

5. A check (#17569) in the amount of **\$1,858.00** is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due, or credit overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 24299-524 CON.

6. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

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